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In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 5276

WADA et al.

Art Unit: 1731

Application No.: 09/778,107

Examiner: Hoffmann, John M.

Filed: February 7, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 103203-00003

For: ELECTRIC FURNACE EXTENSION METHOD AND EXTENSION
APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL FIBER GLASS PREFORM

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Date: June 12, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 2, 2003 from June 2, 2003 to July 2, 2003. Attached is our check in the amount of \$110.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing Docket No. 103203-00003.

Respectfully submitted,



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